

India in Asia: Special International Conference on 70 Years of Independence of India and 43rd Regular Conference of Korean Society for Indian Studies Inc.

Date: Friday, December 8th ~ Saturday, December 9th, 2017

Venue: Young-won Hall, Asia Center, Seoul National University

Cohosted by the Korean Society for Indian Studies, Inc.; Indian Cultural Exchange Research Institute, Tongmyong University; Asia Center, Seoul National University; World Naturopathic Medicine Forum; Institute of Indian Studies, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies

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Invitation

‘This too shall pass,’ and there is no further truth. It was only while ago when the hot and humid weather succumbed to fall, and already chilly winds have begun passing through each morning. The whole nation was in uproar over North Korea’s nuclear weapons and terror in the US, and this too has passed. We pray that such disturbances of nature may never happen again.

We cordially invite you to our International Conference commemorating the 70th year of Independence of India. With the theme of “India in Asia”, this conference will be co-hosted by the Korean Society for Indian Studies Inc., Indian Cultural Exchange Research Institute of Tongmyong University, Seoul National University Asia Center, the World Naturopathic Medicine Forum Inc., and the Institute of Indian Studies, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, and managed by the Department of Asian Languages and Civilizations, Seoul National University.

We will be discussing the role and prospects of India in the fields of Asian politics, society, religion, medicine and asceticism since the 1940s, as well as the exchanges between ancient India and Korea with a focus on Gaya Buddhism. We hope that you may join us at this celebration and experiments of the ‘Eternal truth(Sanatana Dharma)’.

November 15, 2017

In añjali mudrā,

Geo-Lyong Lee, President, Korean Society for Indian Studies Inc.

Program

Friday, December 8th, 2017

1:00-1:30 Registration

1:30-2:00 Opening Ceremony

- Opening: Professor Geo-Lyong Lee, President of KSIS, Sunmoon University
- Welcoming Speech: Juhyung Rhi, Dean, College of Humanities, Seoul National University
- Congratulatory Remarks: His Excellency Mr. Vikram Doraiswami, Ambassador of India to Korea
- Congratulatory Remarks: Professor Hongsub Jung, President, Tongmyong University
- Greetings: Director of Seoul National University Asia Center, Professor Soojin Park;
Director, Institute of Indian Studies, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies,
Professor Chanwahn Kim;
Chief Priest of Haein Jeongsa, Ven. Sujin(Kim, Hyung Ul)
- Introduction of Guests

2:00-2:30 Keynote Speech 1

- Professor S.R. Bhatt (Chairman for the Indian Council of Philosophical Research; Chairman of the Indian Philosophical Congress), “Cultural Interface between India and Korea and the Role of Queen Heo”

2:30-3:00 Keynote Speech 2

- Professor Woojo Kim (Department of Hindi, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies), “Studies of Indian Literature in Asia: From the Perspective of a Korean Scholar”

3:00-3:10 Photography Session

3:10-3:30 Tea and Refreshments

3:30-5:30 Panel 1: India in Asia

- Chair: Professor Jwaheum Baek (Gyungsang University)
 - o Professor Balaganapathi Devarakonda (Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi)
“The Dynamics of Hinduism in Thailand: A Study of Past 70 years”.
- Discussant: Professor Eungu Lee (Hankuk University of Foreign Studies)

- Professor Jiang Jingkui (Center for South Asian Studies, Peking University), “Sino-Indian relations from 1950 onward”.
Discussant: Dr. Ananda Karunaratne (Colombo University, Sri Lanka)
- Professor Jitendra Uttam (School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University), “Shifting Contours of India’s Asian Relations: Domestic Constraints vs. International Opportunities”.
Discussant: Dr. Yeonjeong Ji (Stanton Nuclear Security Post-Doctoral Fellow, Harvard University).
- Dr. Choongjae Cho (Korea Institute for International Economic Policy), “Modinomics and Korea-India Economic Cooperation”.
Discussant: Professor Sooncheol Lee (Busan University of Foreign Studies).

6:00- Welcoming Dinner, SNU

Saturday, December 9th, 2017

9:30-10:00 Registration and Tea

10:00-12:00 Panel 2: “Gaya, Buddhism, India: Exchanges between Ancient Civilizations”

- Chair: Professor Geo-Lyong Lee (Sun Moon University)
 - Professor G. Mishra (Department of Philosophy, University of Madras), “Journey of Dhamma: from India to Korea: Retrospecting into the Buddhist Historiography of Cultural Interaction”.
Discussant: Dr. Choi, Kyung Ah (Dongguk University)
 - Mr. Gi-moon Yang, “Exploring the possibility of the interchange of Kaya Buddhism with Tamil Buddhism in India in the first century—Based on similarity between Korean and Tamil”.
Discussant: Professor Yun, Jong Gap (Dong-A University).
 - Dr. Jung-il Hwang (Academy of Buddhist Studies), “Review about an inflow of Southern Buddhism in Gaya Buddhism: Focusing on the Buddhist terms and transliteration words mentioned in Reminiscence of Three Kingdoms”.
Discussant: Professor Jaejin Jang (Tongmyong University).
 - Mr. Daisung Han (Dongguk University), “Position of Ancient Korea Reviewed through Royal Intermarriage with Global Empire—Western Princess Hur from Ayodhya”.
Discussant: Professor Kwon, Gihyun (Uiduk University).

12:00-1:00 Lunch, SNU

1:00-2:45 Panel 3: “The Ayurveda and the Meditative Tradition in India”

- Chair: Mr. Yongshik Hwang, Independent Scholar on Indian Philosophy
 - Dr. Manshik Kong (King’s College), “Two ways of controlling Food craving: sensory aversion and cognitive aversion”.
Discussant: Dr. Pilseop Ahn (Dongguk University)
 - Dr. Rajiv Bhatt (MD, Independent Scholar), “Ayurveda and Medical Ethics”.
Discussant: Professor Travis L. Smith (ALC, Seoul National University).
 - Professor Misuk Kim (Dongguk University), “A Standpoint of Ayurveda about Health and Disease of the Mind and Body”.
Discussant: Professor Meesook Cheong (Dongbang Culture University)
 - Dr. Youngil Lee, “Did Buddha get into cross-legged posture?”
Discussant: Professor Junbo Sim (Geumgang University)

1:00-2:45 Roundtable: “Great Transition in India: A Korean Perspective on Indian Studies”
(Room 303)

- 좌장: Chair: Professor Chanwahn Kim (HUFS)
 - Presenters for Roundtable: Dr. Jiyeon Choi, Dr. Myungnam Kang, Dr. Yongjung Kim, Dr. Jihoon Lee, Dr. Misu Kim (Institute of Indian Studies, HUFS)

2:45-3:00 Tea and Refreshments

3:00-5:00 Panel 4: “The Rise of Hindu India in the Asian Context”

- Chair: Mr. Chaeseong Jeong (Hankuk University of Foreign Studies)
 - Professor Kazuya Nakamizo (Graduate School of Asian and African Area Studies, Kyoto University), “Democracy and Vigilantism in India: New Phase of Hinduism”.
Discussant: Dr. Lee, Byung Jin (Delhi University).
 - Professor Chanwahn Kim (Graduate School of International and Area Studies, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies), “Manmohan Singh and Narendra Modi Government’s Foreign Policy: With Special Reference to the Neighbourhood Policy”.
Discussant: Sanjeevani Habarakada (Seoul National University).
 - Professor Laxman Satya (Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania), “Communalism in Colonial India: British Empire and the Rise of RSS and Muslim League”.
Discussant: Professor Choonho Lee (Yongsan University)

- Dr. Jean-Thomas Martelli (King's College), "Mapping Contemporary Hindu Right Discourses in India: Exploratory Evidences from Prime Ministerial and Student Activist Lexical Worlds".

Discussant: Dr. Yeonjin Sang (Jawaharlal Nehru University)

5:00-5:30 Regular Meeting of Members

5:30-6:00 Closing Ceremony

6:00- Reception, SNU

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